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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S MESSAGE TO CAGLAYANGIL

REF: A. ANKARA 7669, B. ANKARA 7730

FOR THE AMBASSADOR

1. PLEASE SEE CAGLAYANGIL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BEFORE OCTOBER 20 NSC MEETING AND DELIVER FOLLOWING ORAL MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY. IF YOU BELIEVE IT USEFUL, YOU SHOULD SPEAK TO ECEVIT ALONG THE SAME LINES.

2. BEGIN MESSAGE. I READ WITH GREAT INTEREST AMBASSADOR MACOMBER'S REPORTS ON HIS MEETINGS WITH YOU AND WITH PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL IN WHICH WE WERE INFORMED THAT IMPORTANT DECISIONS REGARDING CYPRUS WILL BE MADE AT THE TURKISH NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 20 AND THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING SEVERAL DAYS LATER. DURING

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THIS DECISION-MAKING PROCESS, I WANTED YOU AND THE PRIME

MINISTER TO HAVE MY VIEWS ON WHAT APPEARS TO US IS NEEDED
TO PROVIDE THE BASIS FOR FURTHER STEPS TO ACHIEVE EARLY
PROGRESS TOWARD A CYPRUS SETTLEMENT.

3. GREEK AND GREEK-CYPRIOT LEADERS HAVE ASSURED US THAT
THEY WOULD BE PREPARED TO ACCEPT A BIZONAL SYSTEM ON
CYPRUS UNDER A WEAK CENTRAL GOVERNMENT IF TURKEY WILL
COME FORWARD WITH SPECIFIC PROPOSALS ON TERRITORY. THERE
ARE OTHER ISSUES, SUCH AS PARTICIPATION IN THE FEDERAL
GOVERNMENT AND THE NUMBER OF GREEK-CYPRIOT REFUGEES WHO
MIGHT EVENTUALLY RETURN TO THE TURKISH REGION, WHICH CAN
BE THE SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATION. HOWEVER, THE ESSENTIAL
NEED NOW IS FOR AN OPENING PROPOSAL FROM THE TURKISH SIDE
ON THE TERRITORIAL ASPECTS OF A SETTLEMENT. THIS SHOULD
THEN BE NEGOTIATED CONCURRENTLY WITH THE ISSUE OF THE
CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

4. I HOPE THAT YOU AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE TURKISH GOVERN-
MENT SHARE OUR ASSESSMENT, SINCE I AM CONFIDENT THAT
IF THIS ESSENTIAL STEP ON TERRITORY CAN BE TAKEN, MANY
OTHER PIECES OF A CYPRUS SETTLEMENT WILL FALL INTO
PLACE AND REMAINING PROBLEMS IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP
WILL BE MUCH EASIER TO SOLVE. END MESSAGE. KISSINGER

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